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C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 1171

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, KS

SUBJECT: MOFA REQUESTS US TO EXPEDITE LICENSE FOR  
PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL TO EXPORT ARTILLERY GUN TUBES

REF: SEOUL 1170

1. ASSISTANT MINISTER MOFA KIM DONG-WHIE CALLED IN DCM  
FEB 20 AND REQUESTED THAT USG PROMPTLY APPROVE APPLICATION BY  
PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL TO EXPORT 105 MM AND 155MM HOWITZER  
GUN BARRELS AND 106MM RECOILLESS RIFLE TUBES TO BE  
MANUFACTURED BY CABOT CORPORATION AND TIMKEN COMPANY. ASSISTANT  
MINISTER KIM GAVE DCM FACT SHEET INDICATING THAT ROKG  
OFFICE OF SUPPLY THROUGH ITS US AFFILIATE PACIFIC  
INTERNATIONAL CONTRACTED OCT 8, 1974 FOR SHIPMENT OF SEVENTY  
155MM TUBES, TWO HUNDRED 105MM TUBES, AND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY  
106MM TUBES. TOTAL COST OF TUBES IS \$1,184,650. AS IN CASE  
DISCUSSED REFTTEL, DECLARED PURPOSE OF IMPORTATION IS  
"RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT" BY ROK AGENCY FOR DEFENSE  
DEVELOPMENT. ACCORDING KIM DONG-WHIE'S FACT SHEET, EXPORT  
LICENSE APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EARLY  
THIS MONTH. ROKS HOPE TO INITIATE EXPORT BY END FEBRUARY  
AND TO COMPLETE GUN BARREL SHIPMENTS BY END 1975.

2. DCM RESPONDED THAT WE WOULD NOTIFY WASHINGTON OF THIS  
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REQUEST. WHEN QUESTIONED KIM PROFESSED NO KNOWLEDGE OF SIMILAR

EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATION BY ANAWELL CORPORATION. POL/MIL OFFICER WHO ACCOMPANIED DCM SUGGESTED THAT BASIC PROBLEM WAS NECESSITY TO OBTAIN PERMISSION TO PRODUCE SUBJECT GUNS PRIOR TO REQUESTING PERMISSION TO EXPORT TUBES. KIM SIMPLY NODDED AT THIS, THEN REITERATED URGENCY WHICH HIS GOVERNMENT ATTACHED TO EARLY APPROVAL OF EXPORT REQUEST.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE INFO AVAILABLE ON PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION. WE RECOMMEND WE ALSO BE INSTRUCTED TO TELL MOFA THAT AS IN CASE OF ANAWELL PERMISSION TO PRODUCE THESE ARTILLERY PIECES MUST BE SOUGHT AND OBTAINED BEFORE EXPORT LICENSES FOR SEPARATE PARTS CAN BE APPROVED.  
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